

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/507,212

Applicant(s)

YAMASHITA, SEIJI

Examiner

Thao T. Tran

Art Unit

1711

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Thao Tran.

(3) Debbie Blyveis.

(2) James Seidleck.

(4) Garth Janke.

Date of Interview: 19 September 2002.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 10.

Identification of prior art discussed: Goto et al..

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Thao Tran
Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The newly added limitation will be given due consideration. The examiner considers that the phrase "essentially consisting of" does not exclude other components from the coating layer. Although Goto et al. teach an epoxy resin in addition to titanium dioxide in the coating layer, there is no exclusion of the attraction of atmospheric water to the titanium dioxide. The epoxy resin may allow water permeate to the titanium dioxide near the surface of the coating layer. Therefore, Goto et al. do teach the claimed invention. The limitation "essentially consisting of titanium dioxide" may be considered as new matter in the next Office Action.



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Comments:

Please let me know if you would like to make any changes in the interview summary.

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